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# Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 0079

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: APER SHUM PDIP LA US
SUBJ: EMBASSY SENDS NOTE TO FOREIGN MINISTRY ASKING FOR
INFORMATION ON ARRESTED LOCAL EMPLOYEE

REF: VIENTIANE 0010

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED REPORTS FROM LOCAL EMPLOYEES JANUARY 4 OF THE ARREST OF EMBASSY LOCAL EMPLOYEE THONGVAN SIBOUNHOM FOR ALLEGEDLY ATTEMPTING TO SWIM TO THAILAND. EMBASSY WAS LATER TOLD BY SAME SOURCES THAT THONGVAN WAS BEING HELD IN THAT KHAO JAIL IN VIENTIANE (REFTEL).

2. AS ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS WHEN AN EMPLOYEE WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED, THE EMBASSY ALLOWED A FEW DAYS TO ELAPSE AND, HAVING HEARD NOTHING FROM EITHER LAO AUTHORITIES OR FROM THE ARRESTED EMPLOYEE, THE EMBASSY SENT NOTE NO 001, DATED JANUARY 10, TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.

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3. THE NOTE REQUESTED THAT THE MINISTRY INFORM THE EMBASSY IF THONGVAN SIBOUNHOM WAS BEING DETAINED AND IF HE WAS BEING DETAINED, WHETHER HE WAS LIKELY TO BE RELEASED SOON.
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